

Notela jaliscana Schaus.

Ten specimens, Nogales and Huachuca Mts., Arizona (Oslar). The Nogales specimens all lack the black longitudinal stripe, while the others all have it. I do not think this more than varietal. Mr. Schaus mentions its presence or absence in his description.

Pseudhapigia brunnea Schaus.

Four specimens from Mr. Oslar, taken in Nogales and Tucson, Arizona. Only two species are known in this genus, and it may be that the form before me is new, as it does not tally in all respects with the descriptions of *brunnea* Schaus or *xolotl* Schaus. But I have no authentic specimens of these species before me. In my specimens the color is a warm red-brown.

Family MEGALOPYGIDÆ.

Archylus tener Druce.

Mr. E. J. Oslar has sent me a ♂ specimen, taken in southern Arizona. It is, apparently, referable to the Megalopygidæ, though the structure is unusual as there is no branch to vein 1 on the fore wings, while veins 7 and 8 of hind wings are united to well beyond the end of the cell, arising from a stalk from its upper angle. The appearance of the insect is well shown in the figure in the *Biologia Centrali-Americana*, pl. 79, fig. 6.

It may remain for the present in the genus *Archylus* Walker, though not agreeing entirely. The type of *Archylus* is *guttifascia* Walker, which, as Sir G. F. Hampson kindly informs me, is a Megalopygid much like *tener*, but vein 8 of the hind wings arises just before angle of the cell while the cell is short. These differences are probably of generic value, but I will only call attention to them now.

NOTE ON THE LARVA OF AN HAWAIIAN PYRALID.

(*Omiodes accepta* Butler).

By HARRISON G. DYAR.

Mr. D. L. Van Dine, of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture's Experiment Station at Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands, has sent me larvæ of *Omiodes accepta*, collected from young sugar cane at the Niulii Plantation, Kohala, Island of Hawaii.

Larva. Head rounded, slightly bilobed, green, checkered with angular faint luteous spots; a black spot below seta ii, a little oblique dash above

paraclypeus, eyes and jaws black. Body slender, cylindrical, subequal; the segments coarsely 3-annulate. Uniform green, the dorsal vessel edged by a more or less distinct opaque white fat body. Tubercles moderate, concolorous, iv + v normal, on the thorax ia + ib, iia + iib; setæ rather large, pale. Feet normal, the crochets in a circle narrowly broken without. Cervical shield concolorous, two small black dots at its lateral margin; a blackish line below tubercle iia + iib on joint 3. Spiracles concolorous; all feet pale.

—Dr. Ashmead exhibited proof sheets and illustrations of his forthcoming classification of the Superfamily Chalcidoidea, commenting on many of the strange and interesting species figured. In reply to a question as to the number of species of Chalcid-flies, he stated that he believes that there are between 3,000,000 and 4,000,000 species of Chalcidoidea in the world.

—Dr. Hinds and Prof. Quaintance were asked to give the Society an informal account of the Cotton-boll Weevil (*Anthonomus grandis*) and the Boll-worm, with their experiences and the results of their recent investigations on these pests. Dr. Hinds gave the life-history of the Cotton-boll Weevil and told of some of the measures that are being taken to prevent its spread and undue multiplication. Prof. Quaintance spoke further on the same subject and also alluded to the present status of the Boll-worm (*Heliothis armiger*) in Texas and other cotton-growing States. Prof. Quaintance said that the record of the largest number of eggs laid by a single moth of the Boll-worm had been raised, as a result of his observations, from 600 to 2,200. Dr. Dyar was asked as to the number of eggs laid by allied Noctuidæ. He replied that he did not know whether there were any records as high as that, but that he knew of an Arctian that lays as many as 2,200 eggs.

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The 184th regular meeting was held at the residence of Mr. Otto Heidemann, 700 Newark street, N. W. In the absence of the President and both Vice-Presidents, Dr. Howard was elected Chairman *pro tem.*, and there were present Messrs. Ashmead,